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1 SEPTEMBER, 1976

DR. H.KISSINGER AND MR.J.VORSTER,
ZURICH,
SWITZERLAND.

DEAR DR.KISSINGER AND MR. VORSTER,

LAST JUNE THIS YEAR THE TWO OF
YOU MET IN WEST GERMANY TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS AFFECTING SOUTH
AFRICA, NAMIBIA AND ZIMBABWE AND NONE OF THE LEGITIMATE OWNERS
OF THESE COUNTRIES ATTENDED THAT MEETING, WHICH OSTENSIBLY
PURPORTED TO EXPLORE WAYS AND MEANS OF SOLVING THE PROBLEMS
FACING THESE COUNTRIES.

WE HAVE RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM RELIABLE SOURCES INDICATING
THAT ON THE 6TH SEPTEMBER, 1976 THE TWO OF YOU WILL MEET IN
ZURICH, SWITZERLAND, TO DISCUSS AGAIN THE PROBLEMS AFECTING
THE THREE COUNTRIES MENTIONED ABOVE WE TAKE GREAT EXCEPTION TO
THIS UNBECOMING PRACTICE ON YOUR PART BECAUSE OF THE FOLLOWING
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A. IN 1884 THE COLONIAL POWERS CONVENED THE NOTORIOUS BERLIN CONFERENCE WHICH NO AFRICAN ATTENDED BUT WHICH PARCELLED OUT VARIOUS PARTS OF AFRICA TO THE VARIOUS COLONIAL POWERS. THIS WAS THEIR PLAN OF SOLVING PROBLEMS OF AFRICA. THIS WAS DONE IN THE INTERESTS OF EUROPEAN POWERS AND NOT THOSE OF AFRICANS. WE NOTE WITH INTEREST THAT THE TWO OF YOU, GENTLEMEN, ARE TRYING TO DO THE SAME THING I.E. TO SOLVE THE PROBLEMS OF ZIMBABWE, NAMIBIA AND SOUTH AFRICA SOLELY IN THE INTERESTS OF THE WHITES IN THAT PART

OF AFRICA.

APPARENTLY YOU TWO GENTLEMEN DO NOT SEEM TO HAVE LEARNT IMPORTANT LESSONS FROM YOUR OWN COLONIAL HISTORY. IT IS SELF-EVIDENT THAT YOU ARE SERIOUSLY ENGAGED IN A DETERMINED EXERCISE OF NEO-COLONIALISM IMPERIALISM AND WHITE SUPREMACY IN THE NAME OF SEEKING A "PEACEFUL " SOLUTION WHICH YOUR VERY ACT OF IGNORING THE LEGITIMATE OWNERS OF THESE COUNTRIES CLEARLY NEGATES. IT IS, INCONCEIVABLE TO A LOGICAL MIND THAT SUCH SERIOUS PROBLEMS FACING ZIMBABWE, NAMIBIA AND SOUTH AFRICA CAN BE SOLVED WITHOUT THE CONSENSUS OF THE LEGITIMATE OWNERS OF THESE COUNTRIES.

II. THE 25 MILLION AFRICAN PEOPLE INHABITING SOUTHERN AFRICA (ZIMBABWE 6M. NAMIBIA 1M AND SOUTH AFRICA 18M) HAVE NOT GIVEN YOU THE MANDATE TO DISCUSS THEIR PROBLEMS. IN THE ABSENCE OF THIS MANDATE WE CAN ONLY CONCLUDE THAT YOUR MANDATE TO DISCUSS THESE PROBLEMS DERIVES NOT FROM THE 25 MILLION AFRICANS BUT FROM THE SHEER ARROGANCE OF COLONIALISM, IMPERIALISM, WHITE SUPREMACY AND RACISM ON YOUR PART. IF YOU BELIEVED THAT THESE 25 MILLION AFRICANS WERE NORMAL HUMAN BEINGS WITH SELF-RESPECT AND WHO EXISTED IN THEIR RIGHT AS SUCH, YOU COULD NEVER HAVE TAKEN IT UPON YOURSELVES TO TRY AND SOLVE THEIR PROBLEMS WITHOUT CONSULTING THEM AND WITHOUT THEIR APPROVAL. IT IS THIS ARROGANCE WHICH AGGRAVATES THAT PROBLEMS OF SOUTHERN AFRICA AND UNTIL THIS ATTITUDE IS DONE AWAY WITH BY

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YOURSELVES, NO PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT CAN BE FOUND IN SOUTHERN AFRICA. THIS ARROGANT ATTITUDE FROM START TO FINISH NEGATES THE PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT WHICH YOU PRETEND TO BE SEEKING.

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III. YOU TWO GENTLEMEN ARE ACTING ON WRONG ASSUMPTIONS AND THEREFORE YOUR PURPORTED SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEMS FACING SOUTHERN AFRICA ARE BOUND TO BE WRONG AS THEY HAVE BEEN IN VIETNAM, CAMBODIA, LAOS, THE MIDDLE EAST AND SOUTH AFRICA. IT DOES NOT FOLLOW THAT BECAUSE A NATION IS A SUPER POWER IT HAS THE RIGHT TO SOLVE THE PROBLEMS OF OTHER COUNTRIES WITHOUT INVITATION OR APPROVAL. THIS IS THE TRAGICALLY WRONG ASSUMPTION OF THE USA AS SUPER POWER. IT DOES NOT FOLLOW THAT BECAUSE A COUNTRY IS THE MOST INDUSTRIALLY DEVELOPED IN AFRICA IT HAS THE RIGHT TO SOLVE THE PROBLEMS OF OTHER COUNTRIES WITHOUT THEIR INVITATION AND APPROVAL. THIS IS THE TRAGICALLY WRONG ASSUMPTION OF SOUTH AFRICA AS AN INDUSTRIALISED COUNTRY IN SOUTHERN AFRICA.

IV, YOU TWO GENTLEMEN SEEM TO OVERLOOK THE FACT THAT SOUTHERN AFRICA IS AN AFRICAN PROBLEM. IT IS NOT AN AMERICAN PROBLEM AND THEREFORE NO AMERICAN PLAN CAN SOLVE THIS PROBLEM ONLY AN AFRICAN PLAN CAN SOLVE IT. AMERICANS PLANS FOR VIETNAM, CAMBODIA THE MIDDLE EASTN KOREA AND MANY OTHERS FAILED BECAUSE AMERICAN PLANS FOR THOSE COUNTRIES WERE QUITE IRRELEVANT TO THE PROBLEMS WHICH FACED THOSE COUNTRIES ANY BY THE SAME LOGIC AN AMERICAN PLAN AS A SOLUTION TO SOUTHERN AFRICAN PROBLEMS IS NOT ONLY IRRELEVANT BUT ARROGANT BEYOND DESCRIPTION.

V. THE PRECEDENT WHICH YOU TWO GENTLEMEN ARE SETTING FOR THE WORLD IS A VERY DANGEROUS ONE. IF CARRIED TO ITS

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LOGICAL CONCLUSION IT WOULD CAUSE ANARCHY, CHAOS, FIASCO AND BLOODSHED ALL OVER THE WORLD, SINCE VARIOUS COUNTRIES WOULD MAKE PLANS FOR OTHER COUNTRIES. IF THE USA AND SOUTH AFRICA CAN HAVE A PLAN FOR ZIMBABWE, NAMIBIA AND SOUTH AFRICA, WHY SHOULD NOT THE SOVIET UNION HAVE PLANS FOR SOUTH AFRICA; WHY SHOULD NOT CHINA PLAN FOR SOUTH AFRICA; WHY SHOULD NOT THE SOVIET UNION PLAN FOR THE USA? WHY SHOULD NOT FRANCE PLAN FOR THE UNITED KINGDOM? YOUR PRESENT ACTIONS VIOLATE THE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLE OF SELF-DETERMINATION OF OTHER PEOPLE. IT IS UNTHINKABLE THAT A COUNTRY LIKE THE USA WHICH PRETENDS TO BELIEVE IN SELF-DETERMINATION OF COUNTRIES CAN ANNOUNCE TO THE WORLD THAT IT HAS A PLAN FOR ZIMBABWE* THE AMERICAN PLAN CAN ONLY BE A CHILD OF THE ARROGANCE OF A SUPER POWER DEEPLY INTERESTED IN THE EXPLOITATION OF THE 24 MILLION AFRICANS.

WE ARE CONVINCED BEYOND ANY SHADOW OF DOUBT THAT YOU ARE NOT ENGAGED IN AN EXERCISE TO FIND A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO SOUTHERN AFRICA'S PROBLEMS. IN ZIMBABWE YOU ARE INTERESTED IN DIFUSING THE PRESENT ARMED STRUGGEL WHICH IS THE ONLY CREDIBLE ALTERNATIVE IN THEIR DETERMINATION TO LIBERATE THEMSELVES FROM THE SHACKLES AND FETTERS OF COLONIALSIM, IMPERIALISM AND WHITE SURPREMACY. IN NAMIBIA YOU ARE ONLY INTERESTED IN CREATING PUPPET POLITICAL LEADERS REPRESENTING NOT THE INTERESTS OF THE INHABITANTS BUT THOSE OF THE USA AND SOUTH AFRICA IN SOUTH AFRICAN YOU ARE ONLY INTERESTED IN MAKING SURE THAT THE MUCH HATED BANTUSTANS ARE GIVE FAKE FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE SO THAT THE BLACK PEOPLE OF THAT COUNTRY CAN ONLY HAVE 13 PERCENT OF THE LAND WHILE THE SETTLERS WHO FORM LESS THAN 25 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION MAY HAVE PERMANENTLY 87 PERCENT OF THE LAND AND THUS PRESERVING THE EXPLOITATION OF THE 18 MILLION AFRICANS BY THREE MILLION SETTLERS, THE USA AND WESTERN EUROPE. YOU TWO GENTLEME ARE SUCH INTERESTED PARTIES THAT YOU CAN NEVER FIND A JUST SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEMS OF SOUTHERN AFRICA.

IT IS MOST DIFFICULT FOR US TO UNDERSTAND YOU TWO GENTLEMEN. MR.J.VORSTER'S HANDS ARE STILL DRIPPING WITH THE BLOOD OF MORE THAN 200 FELLOW BLACKS HE BUTCHERED RECENTLY IN THE MOST SYSTEM-SECRET

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ATISED CRUEL MANNER ENJOYING AN ELABORATE LEGAL PROTECTION. INSPITE OF THIS HUMAN BUTCHERY DR. KISSINGER CHOSE TO PLAN THE FUTURE OF ZIMBABWE, NAMIBIA AND SOUTH AFRICA WITH MR. VORSTER* IT IS NOT UNNATURAL THAT WE FEEL YOU ARE TOGETHER PLOTTING EFFECTIVE WAYS AND MEANS OF BUTCHERING MORE OF OUR PEOPLE IN SOUTH AFRICA, NAMIBIA

AND ZIMBABWE. THIS IS WHY YOU ARE MEETING TO DISCUSS THE FUTURE OF THESE COUNTRIES WITHOUT CONSULTING THE LEGITIMATE LEADERS OF THE 25 MILLION AFRICANS. WHOM YOU TREAT AS MERE THINGS YOU FEEL IN THE ARROGANCE OF YOUR POWER YOU SHOULD PLAN FOR WHETHER THEY LIKE IT OR NOT.

IN CONCLUSION I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT THE AFRICAN PEOPLE IN ZIMBABWE, NAMIBIA AND SOUTH AFRICA HAVE THEIR OWN PLANS TO LIBERATE THEMSELVES. WE DO NOT EXPECT TO BE LIBERATED BY THE USA OR BY SOUTH AFRICA OR BY ANY OTHER COUNTRY FOR THAT MATTER. WE HAVE PLANNED TO LIBERATE OURSELVES. WE KNOW YOU ARE PLANNING HOW TO SUBJUGATE US MORE EFFECTIVELY. NO EXTERNAL PLAN WILL SOLVE THE PROBLEMS FACING SOUTHERN AFRICA. THE WHOLE OF SOUTHERN AFRICA BELIEVES "WE ARE OUR OWN LIBERATORS" AND NO PLAN CAN MEET OUR REQUIREMENTS UNLESS IT TRANSFERS POWER FROM THE MINORITY REGIMES TO THE MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLES OF SOUTHERN AFRICA.

I HOPE AND PRAY THAT FOR THE GOOD OF THE PEOPLES OF SOUTHERN AFRICA, BOTH BLACK AND WHITE, YOU WILL GIVE THIS LETTER YOUR VERY SERIOUS CONSIDERATION BECAUSE YOUR ARROGANT PRESUMPTION TO SETTLE THE PROBLEMS OF SOUTHERN AFRICA WITHOUT THE MANDATE OF THE LEGITIMATE INHABITANTS OF THAT REGION HAS FAR REACHING CONSEQUENCES FOR ALL OF US.

YOURS IN THE STRUGGLE,

NDABANINGI SITHOLE,
CHAIRMAN: AFRICAN NATION
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